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1. A number of optical specialists from the Carl Zeiss Plant at Jena have been employed during the past six years at the Progress Works, an optical developmental factory in the vicinity of Leningrad, USSR. Those Zeiss specialists who have returned to Jena from the Leningrad plant during 1952 include the following: Professor Hauser (fnu), Dr. Falta (fnu), Graduate Engineer Reindl (fnu), and Dipl. Optiker Mehlis (fnu). Professor Hauser, a microscope specialist, is now too old and sickly to be active in his profession. Mehlis was the scientific head of the micro-laboratory in the Leningrad plant. Dr. Falta was formerly one of Zeiss, Jena's leading specialists in the field of infrared spectography. Reindl is now employed in the central testing section of the Jena plant. The most important Zeiss specialist still retained at the Progress Works is Dr. Kühne (fnu), formerly a range finder specialist in the Jena plant.
2. Two fields being particularly emphasized in the development work of the Leningrad plant are those of mirror microscopic lenses and microscopic equipment for testing the hardness of metals. Fluorspar and quartz lenses are being combined with mirror lenses in the microscope developmental work.
3. One of the top Soviet officials now at the Leningrad plant is Svortzov (fnu), who played a leading role in the dismantling of the Zeiss plant in 1946. Svortzov is 40 to 45 years old, short and slim, with dark hair. In 1946 Svortzov was wearing the uniform of a Soviet Army captain.
4. All items of optical equipment developed at the Progress Works are sent to GOI (State Optical Institute) in Moscow for final testing and evaluation.

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